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WORK TO BEGIN ON HAMPTON RIVER BRIDGE ON NH ROUTE 1A PROJECT WILL REQUIRE NO BRIDGE LIFTS FROM MARCH 5 TO MARCH 31

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation announces work is scheduled to begin Tuesday, March 5, 2002 on the Hampton River Bridge (Neil R. Underwood Memorial Bridge) on NH Route 1A in Hampton.

This project will include minor structural steel repair, rivet replacement, electrical work, new navigation lights, and the installation of new motors for the traffic gates.

In order to perform this work, there will be no bridge lifts on the Hampton River Bridge between March 5 and March 31. Boats will still be able to pass under the bridge and there will be no impact on motor vehicle traffic.

T. Buck Construction of Auburn, Maine is the contractor for the \$223,140 project, which has a final completion date of April 30, 2002.